

OUT-OF-HOME CARE COMMITTEE
CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT PLAN
TIMEFRAMES BY TOPIC

Action Step	Benchmark	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
		11/04	2/05	5/05	8/05	11/05	2/06	5/06	8/06
C. Stabilize children's placements in FC and reduce the actual and statistical re-entry of children into the FC system	C.1.a. Study counties with high re-entry rates		+BPP						
	C.1.b.1)-2) Develop policy on trial home visits								
	C.1.b.3)-4) Implement policy and WiSACWIS					+BPP			
	C.1.c. Develop program responses to re-entry								
	C.2.a. Identify causes of FC disruptions			+BPP					
	C.2.b. Determine best response								
	C.3. Release Placement Handbook								
	C.4. Memo re Emergency Response Plan								
D. Increase the speed/efficiency of placing children in permanent/adoptive homes when they can no longer be safe with their parents	D.2. Clarify permanency plan issues/#memo								
	D.3. Info for perm plan reviewers								
	D.4. Issue numbered memo on TPR issues								
E. Maintain and support family connections by updating and implementing policies on sibling placement	E.1.a. Issue policy on efforts to place siblings								
	E.1.b. Provide TA/training on policy & law								
	E.2. Explore exceptional rate for siblings								
	E.3.1) Propose elimination of limit of 6 kids								
	E.3.2) Revise Ch. HFS 56								
	E.3.3) Issue revised Ch. HFS 56								
	E.4. Develop data sources for measurement			+BPP					
F. Maintain/support family connections for children in OOH care by clarifying policies on family	F.1.a. Develop policy on visitation								
	F.2. Develop procedures on ICWA								

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participation in case planning, visitation and establishing paternity									
H. Maintain and support family connections for children in OOH care by searching for relatives as possible child placements	H.2. Identify information shared with relatives								
	H.4.a. Conduct survey of tribes and counties			+OPEP					
	H.4.b. Analyze survey data								
I. Enhance role of noncustodial parents/other family members as placement resources by developing policies/procedures on engagement, including documentation of activities to locate, adjudicate and involve noncustodial parents	I.1. ID policies impacting noncustodial parents								
	I.1.1) Change policies as necessary								
	I.1.2). Issue revised policies								
	I.1.3) Create tool in WiSACWIS								
	I.1.4) DWD re Parent Locator System								
	I.1.5) Training on finding noncustodial parents						+BPP		
K. Increase effectiveness of support for foster parents by improving their access to information, training, and resources, including a foster parent handbook	K.1.a. Hold focus groups with FPs, et. al.								
	K.1.a.1) Identify FP service and support needs								
	K.1.a.2) Profile needs and identify gaps								
	K.1.a.3) Recommendations for meeting needs								
	K.1.a.4) Develop requirement for support plans								
	K.1.a.5) Provide training and TA			+BPP					
	K.2.a. Instrument to assess child's needs								
	K.2.b. Training on assessment instrument					+BPP			
	K.3. Adoption and FC Resource Center								
	K.4.a. Research mandated FP training								
	K.4.b/c. Pre-service/ongoing training needs				+BPP				

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	K.5.a. Identify FC handbook content								
	K.5.b. Include info on access to local res.								
	K.5.c. Revise Chs. 38, 54, 56								
	K.6. Develop data for measurement w/CQI		▶▶	+BPP					
N. Make family involvement in CW case planning a centerpiece of Ch. HFS 44 that governs practice and policy for children in OOH care	N.1. Identify items for Ch. HFS 44								
	N.1.1) Issue interim numbered memo								
	N.1.2) Reactivate Ch. HFS 44 workgroup								
	N.1.3) Complete draft for DHFS Admin.								
	N.1.4) Send draft out for review								
	N.1.5) Conduct public hearings								
	N.1.6) Revise WiSACWIS as necessary				+BPP				
	N.1.7) Issue final rule								
	N.1.8) Provide training on rule								▶▶
O. Move children more quickly to permanence when they can no longer be safe at home by expediting the TPR when appropriate and necessary	O.2. Training on perm plan, ASFA, etc.		+BPP						▶▶
	O.4. Analyze/implement TPR processing CIP								
	O.5. Memo on IV-E for legal services								
	O.6 Report on ASFA/TPR court proceedings								
P. Clarify responsibility/role of FPs in reviews and court hearings	P.1. Process for judges to get input from FPs								
	P.2. Include role of FP in training/handbook						+BPP		
	P.3. Develop data for measurement		+BPP	▶▶					